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Applicant: Ajit Singh Gill

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month to July 26, 2004 in which to file a response to the Office Action dated May 26, 2004.

Enclosed is the required fee of \$55.00 for a one month extension for a small entity. Please charge any additional fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 13-1175 of the undersigned.

Respectfully,

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